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Compound Complex Stamp Is The Penny Australian

AVE you a lot of little duplicates lying around and cluttering up otherwise usable space? Duplicates that you can't seem to trade off and yet don't want to throw away? Harken, then, and I'll tell you how you might possibly cull major and minor varieties out of some of them.

Those duplicates to which I have reference are the 1d Georgian stamps of the Australian Commonwealth. All British colony collectors probably have scads of them; but, if you do not happen to be one of the lucky ones, you can buy them by the hundreds of copies,

The accompanying composite illustration will serve to illustrate a number of prominent plate varieties, some of which enhance the value of the stamps con-

One of the most noticeable is "flaw on neck," or a white spot beneath the bust of George. This variety can be found on all the 1d printings save those on Multiple Crown C of A paper. Its appearance on Scott's #53 results in its taking a 1000 per cent jump in value. The nick in the base line, below the N of ONE, called a "secret mark," was made by Printer J. B. Cooke as an identification mark for the plate from which that stamp comes. It also can be found on all printings but the 1931-32.

The white spot to the right of PEN-NY, called "ferns" (and your guess is as good as mine as to why), and the joining, at the foot, of the R and A in AUSTRALIA, were characteristic of the left pane of the lower plate. The "RA joined" variety on Scott #82, perforated $13\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$, boosts its value to \$3 used. This flaw was retouched on Scott #114 and results in a malformation of the two

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A plate flaw which first appeared in September, 1915, and can be found in all the 1d issues, consists of a white line joining the letters N and Y of PENNY. That it is of frequent occurrence is evident by the fact that the variety commands a value only double that of the unflawed specimen.

A very scarce plate variety-not illus-

By OWEN F. ACERS

Society of Australasian Specialists



#20) and consists of a broken last N in PENNY, thus making the word appear as if it were spelled PENAVY. There is also a stop, or colorless spot, after the words of value and a white patch resembling an arrow to the right of that. This one catalogues close to 100 shillings or bucks. Another nifty little item which is not often run across, is the face making kangaroo or "roo's tongue out." Officially, it is described as a white mark extending from the kangaroo's muzzle (see illustration).

Copies with top of crown missing, as illustrated; or with the top of the crown broken; with ragged top frame line; and with a very thin frame line at right or left, are very common. Stamps with extra frame lines, irrespective of denomination, are, roughly, twice the value of the same stamp without them. to look for. By extra frame lines are meant the colored lines often found running parallel to one or more of the frame lines. Some stamps have been found with extra frame lines on all four sides.

The blossoms in the upper corners of the Georgian issues are found on a shrub trated—is found only on the 1d reds with called the wattle. An almost horizontal single Crown and A watermark (Scott scratch or cut can often be found run-

ning through the second blossom from the top. The Aussies have the ducky idea of calling this variety a "wattle

And a final variety, but by no means the end of the critters, is a retouched US of AUSTRALIA. It can be found only on Scott's #20c. Through wear, Through wear, the letters US developed a thin and uneven appearance. Before this defect was noticd, a large white flaw appeared above these letters, particularly above the S. This latter flaw, developing late in the printing from this scarce die (Scott DIE II), was retouched a short while before printing ceased. The retouch consists of a thin top stroke to the S, a rather thick and uneven oval line above the letters, and a blotchy appearance in the lines of shading above that. All three stages of the above variety are rare.

As a piece de resistance, I might mention that the 1d reds on single watermark paper were printed on both rough and smooth paper (unsurfaced and surfaced), and that the above mentioned varieties are found on both papers. Consequently, the number of plate flaws that can be found are doubled. And of course, the spur in the left shield, as per illustration, identifies Scott's DIE Ia.

Should you go into this "variety-seeking-out" business in a serious way, and run across any varieties other than listed (and you will) the editor of Linn's Magazine or myself will be glad to attempt identification of them and otherwise give the lowdown.

The peculiarly shaped L of AUS-TRALIA, and the joined GE of POST-AGE, as shown in the composite illustration, are found on the 2d brown orange Georgians. Before the retouching, Australia appeared as if it were spelled AUSTRAZIA—another variety

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New Idea in Clubs

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This unique club on the West Coast is composed entirely of those who work for the Veterans' Administration Facility at Los Angeles and-here's part of the punch-it is the only organization of collectors whose meeting dates are fixed by the postmaster general of the United The club meets only when a new United States stamp is issued. The first gathering was on the day the 5-cent Army and Navy commemoratives were released.

Now here is another interesting point. Each member is sort of sponsored by a stamp. There is a waiting list of men who desire to become members of this club but until a new stamp is available these chaps must wait in line.

The membership roster gives an idea of how the thing works out: John W. Smith-1-cent Army; J. Earl

Merifield-1-cent Navy; Hugh Harrell-2-cent Army; M. J. Lee-2-cent Navy; Smith J. Garner—20-cent China Clipper; Joseph D. Ryan—50-cent China Clipper; Leo J. Christenson—3-cent Army; John J. Walsh—3-cent Navy; Thomas J. Moroney-4-cent Army; Henry C. Veit-4-cent Navy; Lionel V. Lonsdale-5-cent Army; and Hans I. Hanssen-5-cent Navv.

So someone will be entitled to membership with the appearance of the Northwest Territory and the Virginia Dare and the S. P. A. sheet and so on. A club developed along such interesting lines should succeed.

New Zealand Anzac stamp figures are now available. Of the low value 1,840,-810 were printed. Only 1,179,218 copies of the second value were produced.

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Plenty of Perforations

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stand near the head of the class. Yet during the short life of those issues-Feb., 1920 to June, 1921-the stamps appeared in no less than five perforation varieties, not to mention imperforates and part perforates. Study of a quantity of the adhesives might turn up anything as items perforated $11\frac{1}{2}$ by $11\frac{1}{2}$ by 111/2 by 10 are known. Plate varieties are scarce.

History With Vengeance

It has long been the custom of the foreign press to picture Uncle Sam as Uncle Shylock and we shudder to think of the most caustic comment this new Northwest Territory commemorative stamp may foster across the big pond. Uncle Shylock has even converted the initials of the United States into a dollar sign in the design of this adhesive and at first glance one has the impression the stamp is a \$3 denomination. This stamp doesn't click with us and our reaction is due, probably, to the effort to include too much territory in the map. The engraver has not only given us our lesson in the establishment of the Northwest Territory but he has thrown in most of the territorial development of everything east of the Mississippi River for good measure.

-D. H.

O. O. McIntyre Says

I know of no hobby that seems so satisfying to its possessor as stamp collecting. Several philatelists among my friends-George Young of Los Angeles, for example-convince me of this. In one instance an actress wife tells me that her husband was quite a gadabout for two years after their marriage. She was interested in stamps and eventually interested him, and now most of their evenings are spent at home with magnifying glasses, studying and arranging their collections. On their holidays they visit the stamp markets in other citiesthere being about 500.

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The Washington Times Stamp Editor

by November, Second Assistant Postmaster General Harllee Branch pointed out at an informal press conference this week that domestic airmail is virtually self-sustaining and that almost all traces of the so-called "airmail subsidy" disappeared.

He further stated that airmail may become a source of profit to the federal government during the present fiscal

year. With reference to trans-Atlantic mail Branch says that the operation may be thrown open to all comers and that this would be done by distributing mail on



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ice has come within \$900,000 of paying its own way. In fact, he further indicated that the margin may be even closer by the end of the year.

Airmail expenditures will be increased by the Post Office Department from the 1937 total of \$12,984,000 to about \$15,-000,000, and from all indications, according to the second assistant postmaster general actual revenues to the department may possibly exceed this total.

The amount of airmail flown by domestic airlines has grown from a total of 6,741,000 pounds during 1933 to an estimated total of 20,000,000 during the fiscal year just closed.

It is the plan of the P. O. Department, Branch said, to ask congress for additional funds each year to establish "feeder" or minor routes throughout the nation to hook on to the primary routes thus establishing a complete network of airmail service in the smaller communities.

It is interesting to note that the cost to the government of foreign airmail in 1933 was \$6,948,188 and the revenue derived amounted to \$1,276,250. During the last fiscal year the cost was \$7,867,-756 and the revenue \$3,921,056.

Trans-Pacific has been far less costly than was originally estimated, Branch said (thanks to philately). It cost \$1,-600,000 while its derivative revenue has amounted to \$500,000.

If trans-Atlantic service is established on a contract basis, Branch explains, a monopoly would be created in favor of Pan-American Airways, which is now the only American line capable of operating across the Atlantic. Therefore, on a straight poundage, non contract basis, any company is free to set up and to operate an organization at any time and qualify as a mail carrier.

Legislation has been introduced in congress, Branch said, to permit the 4 Admiral Rd.

airline. Efforts for enactment this year are now being pushed.

In further reference to trans-Atlantic plans to date, it is a certainty that the air mail postage will be 20 cents per half ounce.

Experimental flights, eastbound and westbound, have been pronounced successful and all that remains, is final drafts with the foreign powers also undertaking the venture. These include Great Britain, Germany and Portugal.

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crea'e additional interest in studies by the pupils! I believe this sort of thing—such illustrations—would do more, not only for the hobby, but for school lessons, than even sponsoring stamp clubs to which but a part of the school membership would belong.

The expressions you use, "a sugar coated pill in the guise of a postage stamp" and "marked men" as those on stamps, are splendid. It is a fact that we are stimulated to reading history through stamps; perhaps that is why I took almost every history course in the schools, grammar to college!

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one finds none of the drama in school texts. Stamp illustrations would greatly help to remove the "dryness" of such books youth is forced to pore over. History can't teach when it is an array of figures and mere dull facts, related as facts only. It fails thusly to impress. Use stamps to illustrate and you will impress 75 per cent more than formerly! I've preached this for all of the 17 years of my hobby-writing and will continue to do so. My library of 2,000 books contains 66% per cent on history—and very few of these dull texts, proving history, properly presented, is romantic.

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The Gova commemorative issue appeared in 1930 on the heels of a high pressure propaganda campaign that included the advance distribution of sample sets to virtually every important newspaper in the world. The publicity men behind this venture knew their public. The nudes alone assured them of newspaper comment and that was the thing that was needed to create an inter-

national demand

It was stated that the greatest number of any stamp in the set would be 113,000 and that number would be confined to the three low values. Of the 1p nude (given away with approvals for years) there was to be but 10,500 copies. scarcest stamp of the set was to be the 10p nude for which the printing was to be 9,800. Collectors thereby were led to believe that not more than 9,800 com-plete sets would be available to satisfy the clamor from the four corners of the earth

We do not say that a greater number of Goya stamps were produced AT THAT TIME but there can be no doubt that the promoters deliberately misled collectors when they advanced those figures. One need not be overly smart to surmise that the Goya plates have had little rest during the intervening years nor to be astonished at persistent rumors those plates are in New York City and have been used recently to

produce more sets.

So far as we can see there is no power that can interfere with perpetual production of these stamps. Looking backward through the years we find that the Spanish government of 1930 "sold out" to the Goya and other flashy commemorative promoters In other words, the promoters (who, we understand, were stamp dealers) produced the stamps from their privately owned plates and in return for the nod of official approval placed a small quantity of the Goyas in Spanish post offices to be sold to the public. When these few stamps were gone, the post office department pocketed the proceeds and forgot about the issue. so the plate owners.

The fact they gave a few stamps to the Spanish government might be regarded as a gesture of patriotism or generosity or good business. But such a gift did not give the government the right to say yes or no about further

printings.

Those stamps which passed through the Spanish post office back in 1930 might properly be regarded as postage stamps. Any other copy has no more postal standing than a Christmas seal. And the comparison stops right there.

One of the problems confronting the leaders of the hobby today is this matter of parasites-men who are willing, if not eager, to wreck a wholesome recreation in order to fill their pockets with dollars. We can expect little if any help with the problem from national governments

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Henceforth, this column will chronicle ONLY stamps that have ACTUALLY been issued. The rapid increase in new issues the world over will not permit the announcing of new issues in advance of their appearance as our space is limited. Our readers have probably noted that of recent months we have been somewhat late in noting the actual appearance of new stamps and this has been due to the fact that other notes have crowded out this information. It shall be our policy to continue to chronicle the appearance of any new stamps just as soon as authentic information or the stamps themselves are received by us. We shall endeavor to give you, as always, the correct information and as early as possible. Advance information on forthcoming us. We shall endeavor to give you, as always, the correct information and as early as possible. Advance information on forthcoming new issues, of sufficient interest, will be carried as a news item in the news columns of Linn's. We believe that our readers will agree with this change in our policy and that such a change will eventually work for the benefit of our readers in that they may clip our column and use it as an addition to their stamp catalog.

SYRIA—New Air Post Stamps. Like Lebanon, there will be a set of eight values showing the Lebano-Syrian building in the Paris 1937 Exhibition, to be issued for Syria. Thirty thousand each of the first five values—\$\frac{1}{2}\times\$, 1, 2, 3 and 5 piasters—will be issued and 15,000 each of the 10, 15 and 25 piasters thus making only 15,000 complete sets. They will be sold in complete sets or in short sets of five values. The face value is 61.5 piasters, or around 55c.

New Postage and Air Post. Syria has had New Postage and Air Post. Syria has had printed in Egypt a set of four stamps, three for ordinary postage and one for airmail (10p) to commemorate the Franco-Syrian treaty. The stamps will go on sale as soon as the treaty is ratified by the French chamber. There will be 20,000 complete sets and larger quantities of the lower values. The face value is around 20 cents.

(Benjamin T. Baroody)

SWITZERLAND—Under-noted stamps over-printed same as Scott's #645, for use by the League of Nations; unwmkd. perf. 11½:

A54— 5c. blue-green A55—10c. red-violet A56—15c. orange A58—25c. brown A59—30c. ultramarine A60—35c. yellow-green A61—40c. gray

Under-noted stamps overprinted same as cott's #738, for use by the International La-Scott's #738, for use bor Bureau; unwmkd. perf. 111/2:

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(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA—The Coronation issue will consist of the ½d, 1d, 1½d, 3d and 1s values and will be issued in bi-lingual pairs.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

Official Stamps, Regular Issue of 1935 over-printed in black reading downwards like #644 and #645. Space between the words 12½mm. Rotogravure printing, hyphen between "Suid-Africa." Wmkd. Mult. Springbock's head, perf. 141/2×14:

> A5-1/2p green and black A6-1/2p green and black (Scott's Monthly Supplement)

SUDAN-Official Stamp. Another value to go with that chronicled May 15:

A2—2pi. orange and violet-brown Air Post. Another value in the perforation 11½x12½, to go with those noted May 15: AP3-15m. red-brown and sepia

(R. Roberts)

TANNOU TOUVA—There has been considerable controversy concerning the stamps noted by us April 24th. Whitfield, King & Co., of London, maintain that the stamps have been on sale in the Post Offices of the country of issue and they have been available for prepayment of postage.

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

Special Cachets

Collectors interested in ship cancelations should send covers to Paul E. Lewis, stamp editor of the Stockton Evening Record, Stockton, Cal., who will attempt to obtain postmarks from the U. S. S. Drayton, Flusser, Lamson and Mahan during their visit to Stockton Aug. 6 to 9. An official cachet, prepared by the newspaper's staff artist, will be applied to covers.

J. S. Minkus, manager of Gimbel Brothers' stamp department, New York, is visiting Paris, London and Brussels during July and August. Until July 24 he may be reached at Gimbel Brothers, 252 Regent street, London W.1, and he will be in Paris until Aug. 4 at Societe Franco-Americaine d'Achats, 5 Avenue de l'Opera, Paris 1.

A series of philatelic papers, demonstrating original research work, will be one of the major features of the Third American Philatelic Congress at Chicago Oct. 29 to 31. The best papers are to be published in book form and offered to all stamp clubs.

1,600 Subject Sheets

During printing of the offset 2-cent stamps of the 1908 series it was decided to step up production by using larger plates and the consequence was the appearance of sheets containing 800 and 1,600 stamps. These were cut up immediately into regulation 400-subject sheets and then perforated. It is impossible to identify these unusual printings save by the plate numbers.

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According to The United States Postage Stamps of the 20th Century, re-vised edition of Vol. 1, the 800-subject plates were made up of two complete 400-subject plates one above the other with space between them for margins, and the 1,600-subject plates were made up of four of the ordinary size plates arranged in a square with margins between.

The 800-subject plates bore the following numbers and produced what is known as Type VI of this series: 11661 to 11670; 11688, 11690 to 11692, 11706, 11717, 11818 to 11820. These 800subject plates produced Type VII: 12157 to 12162, 12164 to 12167, 12201 to 12203, 12205, 12219 to 12228, 12239 to 12248, 12256 to 12260, 12263 to 12265, 12291 to 12299, 12326 to 12336, 12338, 12347 to 12353, 12393, 12394, 12396 to 12399. 12402 to 12413, 12415 to 12417, 12729, 12730, 12732 to 12736, 12797 to 12799, 12800, 12801, 12803, 12806 to 12819, 12821 to 12835, 13069 to 13073, 13075 to 13077, 13102, 13103, 13157 to 13164.

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Airport Dedications. Over the Fourth week end, a number of airports were dedicated.
On June 3, St. Johnsbury, Vermont, dedicated using a circular cachet in black showing a plane On Jule 1 of the control of the cachet in black showing a plane in flight and a pioneer trapper with appropriate inscription. Harrisville, Mich., dedicated Alcona County airport on July 3, using circular cachet in magenta showing plane preparing to land and fisherman's creel and rod. Baker, Ore., dedicated July 5 with rectangular purple box cachet during air tour. W. W. Howes airport at Huron, S. D. was dedicated July 4-5 with map outline cachet. William H. Olson reports 743 covers mailed on the 4th with a red cachet and 372 on the 5th with blue cachet. It is also noted that a P. O. addition was dedicated on the 5th. blue cachet. It is also noted the dition was dedicated on the 5th.

Ethel B. Gage sends a clipping in which it is stated work has been suspended on the United States Military Academy airport, Stew-art Field, until further funds can be secured.

John N. Lowe, Marquette, Mich., says Marquette County airport will be dedicated on July 29 and covers to him by July 27 unstuffed and unsealed for printed cachet.

Rex Copp reports on following South Carolina airports: Greenwood, still under construction, no date set. Greenville, will not be completed before fall, contact C. of C. regarding dedication. Laurens, official opening some time in October, will advise. Copp says Asheville-Henderson, N. C., airport will be dedicated Aug. 2b during S. P. A. convention and covers to C. of C. May be a first flight. . . Bristof, Tenn., Kingsport and Johnson City, Tenn., will dedicate Tri-City Airport on Aug. 1.

Madera, Calif., is reported as dedicated on June 30 with six-line blue cachet. . . . Harbor Beach, Mich., reported dedicated July 4, any covers? McAlester, Okla., reported dedicated on June 10, member of air tour says they didn't.

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Plate Numbers

The Post Office Department has announced that plate numbers of the Northwest Territory commemorative, which was placed on first day sale at Marietta, Ohio, and New York City, July 13, are as follows:

21691, 21692, 21693, 21694.

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—Courtesy H.M.S.

(Editor's Note)-As it has turned out the 1c Los Angeles is in B-13, with of course the chances that the next printing of 11/2c in B-13. From another source we told you of Salt Lake City being in B-13, perhaps Jersey City will eventually be in B-13. If Jersey City comes out in B-13 we suppose that New Jersey will be spelled out in full instead of being abbreviated

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KANS, AND NEBR.

The case of the Kansas and Nebraska overprints is somewhat parallel to those of the Huguenot-Walloons and Lexington Concords. Many of these items precanceled are pure outright favors but the stamps themselves as regular U. S. postage stamps are literally dragging these misfits up in price. Don't get me wrong. There are many worthy and legitimate precancels in this issue but there are also many items floating around with fancy prices tacked to them that have full gum and are rank favors. So if the favor seekers profit on this issue it is because of the fact that the stamps as regular U. S. have risen in value greatly and not because they have made anyone believe that the stamps are real rarities.

The 19th Edition of the Bureau Print Catalogue is to be released about Aug. 18.-I understand the double line type catalogue was to be released July 10 but have not seen any as yet .- It's time to start thinking about the Precancel Stamp Society Convention. Dates Aug. 20-23. It will be held at the West Hotel in Minneapolis, Minn. This is a Silver Jubilee Convention.—I note that St. Louis and Atlantic City are both bidding for the convention for 1938. My guess is it will go to St. Louis.

New Zealand Aerodrome

The design of the current New Zealand airmail stamp was adapted from a photograph of Bell Block Aerodrome by A. H. Blennerhasset of New Plymouth, N. Z., according to information supplied by the Air Mail Society of New Zealand. The picture was taken on April 12, 1934, as the first official Australia-New Zealand air mail arrived at the field via the "Faith in Australia."

Four Towns in Club

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Broadway Chatter By Bi Stander



The rise in the price of first day Coronation covers has been very marked. The following quotations of the better ones are the latest prices from London. Prices are approximate: Gilbert and Ellice about \$25; Ascension about \$5; Nyasaland, \$2; Swaziland, \$2; Southern Rhodesia, \$4.75; New Guinea, \$2. There is no first day cover selling for less than 50 cents each with exception of Canada or Great Britain. For that reason the de-mand in New York for these covers is very keen with many of them changing hands among dealers. Last but not least are Somaliland first day covers.

Mint dominion sets are being snapped up here. New Guinea complete, about

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which reports are to the effect that many sets were destroyed by floods, is now selling for \$1; Southern Rhodesia for \$3. Cook Islands has reached here and is selling for 30 cents, a reasonable price it Papua dominions mint seems to us. have not reached here as yet. Practically any of the mint dominions are good property and it would be advisable to buy them now.

The New York Sun, in a cable from London, reports the terrific demand for Coronations, more being sold by far than the Jubilees at the early stages. It mentions the U. S. demand for these sets and that a dealer here had orders for 2,000 sets. Imagine the labor of tearing up that amount of sets. Speculators in London are buying up dominions and we look for the same thing to happen soon in New York.

Some dealers here were assured of dominion sets to fill existing orders, but have been informed in some cases by their agents that they can deliver but 20 This is "gumming" per cent of orders. up the works and deliveries up to 20 per cent have only been made to date in some instances.

Used complete sets of Coronations are in steady demand here with supplies Prices are running very slim as yet. from two to three times face at present for some of them. We expect odd values will come into their own as did the Jubilees in used condition.

One of the largest philatelic buildings in New York had quite some excitement in it. It seems that the heat was so terrific one day that a heavy block of ornamental granite trim above a fifth floor window at 87 Nassau street became loosened and was in danger of falling to the sidewalk. This had to be shored up and there was quite some danger for a time.

First First Day Cover

Dr. F. Earle Hall of Winchendon, Mass., not only has a first day Coronation cover from South Africa but he has the first first day envelope that passed through the canceling machine at the general post office in Johannesburg. Doctor Hall has a friend who is a clerk in the office and that explains everything. The cover is postmarked 8:30 a. m.

Rhodesia Sale

Approximately 32,000 shilling sets of Southern Rhodesia Coronations were sold at the post office in Salisbury on

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Collectors might be a little careful with covers sent to the mail clerk on the Porter. I have word that he is not cooperating and that twice in succession he ruined covers valued at upwards of \$50 in postage stamps alone.

The artist who draws Scott's scrap book syndicated cartoon ought to be given some pointers in our hobby. Recently he reproduced the fancy cancel created by Louis Weigand for use on the Moffett, and described it as a cachet, and not only that, for he also said it was used the day prior to the "scrapping" of the Moffett. Well, the Moffett is a brand new ship. Scott should have said the fancy cancel was destroyed. ship. Scott sh was destroyed.

was destroyed.

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With postal restrictions on the ships being tightened a lot, I think it would be wise for every follower of this hobby to write to the Post Office Department in Washington, requesting that the rule forbidding the use of anything except port locations in killer bars be suspended, so that we may receive such things as "first day." and so on on covers so intended. Also keels, launchings, commissionings, shakedowns, etc.

There can be no possible harm in the use of killer readings and a campaign by the two mayal societies, with every member taking part, ought to start now and not stop until we achieve our goal, even if we have to write a letter a week until we get somewhere. President Richell of the ANCS will conduct the next two columns.

The following quantities of Australasian Coronation stamps were printed, according to the Australasian Informer, official publication of the Society of

the next two columns.

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1d-60,000,000 21/2d-2,000,000 6d-3,000,000

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The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business angle by the Managing Editor.

GEORGE W. LINN

Business Boom

The management of Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., of London, England, announce in the July issue of their Monthly that their business for the year 1936 has again for the third successive year, established a new high record in sales. This is a remarkable situation and one that should con-vince every stamp dealer in America that there is plenty of business to be had and that if

they are not getting their share it is their fault and not the fault of general business conditions. Too few stamp dealers take their Too few stamp dealers take their business seriously enough or plan their business ahead with any definite object in view. Business is good, has been good and will continue good for the dealer that gets right down to brass tacks and works along definite lines. On the other hand the trade is always cluttered up with too many vest pocket dealers who never have any definite aims and only clutter up the atmosphere.

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Blocks of 4 stamps throughout 80.00
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The Buffalo Stamp

The next time you have an opportunity to visit the United States Museum in Washington take a few minutes to look up the buffalo case and pay particular attention to the big brute at the right of the little group. For that gentleman of the plains has gone more places and become better known to the public than any other American animal we know unless it might be the cousin of this fellow that has been traveling around on nickels these several years.

Our current 30-cent postage stamp bears the likeness of the museum buffalo, a photograph serving as a model for the artist, C. A. Huston. E. M. Hall and L. S. Schofield engraved the

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The 30-cent adhesive has been in circulation since March 20, 1923, and so is common enough that an intensive study of this stamp can be managed for a very small investment.

Max Johl tells us in his invaluable 'United States Postage Stamps of the 20th Century" that no fewer than 339,-000,000 of these stamps had been issued up to 1935 in addition to some 20,000. 000 precancels, yet the number of outstanding plate varieties is exceptionally small. Even in the philatelic press columns conducted by Mr. Johl and by George B. Sloane in which innumerable minor varieties are reported little has been written about the 30-cent denomination of the current issue. The conclusion can be only that the engravers and printers have done remarkably well by the buffalo or else little attention has been paid the stamp by the specialists.

Mr. Johl notes a marked shifted transfer on the perforated 11 variety. This shift is to the left side. There is a double transfer on stamp No. 52, up-per right pane of plate No. 16065. The downward doubling is pronounced on the right side. A flaw is noted on four stamps of the upper right pane of plate No. 17446. On Stamp No. 2 it is a dark gash in the right numeral of value; on stamp No. 3 it has shifted to a point between the value circle and the S of CENTS; on No. 5 it is crossing the T and S of CENTS and on No. 6 it is partly in the value circle and touching the lower frame line of the design. Mr. Johl attributes the flaw to a foreign substance which adhered temporarily to the transfer roll.

On the second perforation stamp, Mr. Johl lists but one variety of sufficient importance to be recorded. This is a plate flaw on stamp No. 30, upper right pane, Plate No. 20552. A jagged line of color, possibly a plate crack, extends across the upper left part of the vignette, starting below the E of UNITED and ending at the A of STATES.

In our recent review of the revised edition of Luff's history of United States postage stamps we did not state the price of the first section of this new book which is devoted to the postmasters' provisionals. The section is priced at \$2. The balance of the book is scheduled to appear in one volume.